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28th Sunday of the Year [B]

10<sup>th</sup> October 2021

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**St. Peter in Chains:** Saturday between 4.45pm-5.15pm.

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## **Mustard Seeds**

#### **⊕** Miracle

A little girl went to her bedroom and pulled a glass jelly jar from its hiding place in the closet. She poured the change out on the floor and counted it carefully. The total had to be exactly perfect. No chance here for mistakes. Carefully placing the coins back in the jar and twisting on the cap, she slipped out the back door and made her way to Boot's Pharmacy. She waited patiently for the pharmacist to give her some attention, but he was too busy at this moment. Tess twisted her feet to make a scuffing noise. Nothing. She cleared her throat with the most disgusting sound she could muster. No good. Finally she took a quarter from her jar and banged it on the glass counter. That did it! "And what do you want?" the pharmacist asked in an annoyed tone of voice. "I'm talking here to my brother from London whom I haven't seen in ages," he said without waiting for a reply to his question. "Well, I want to talk to you about my brother," Tess answered back in the same annoyed tone. "He's really, really sick... and I want to buy a miracle." "I beg your pardon?" said the pharmacist. "His name is Andrew, and he has something bad growing inside his head, and my Daddy says only a miracle can save him now. So how much does a miracle cost?" "We don't sell miracles here, little girl. I'm sorry, but I can't help you," the pharmacist said, softening a little. "Listen, I have the money to pay for it. If it isn't enough, I will get the rest. Just tell me how much it costs." The pharmacist's brother was a well-dressed man. He stooped down and asked the little girl, "What kind of a miracle does your brother need?" "I don't know," Tess replied with her eyes welling up. I just know he's really sick, and Mummy says he needs an operation and specialist treatment. But my Daddy can't pay for it, so I want to use my money." "How much do you have?" asked the man from London. "One pound and eleven pence," Tess answered barely audibly. "And it's all the money I have, but I can get some more if I need to." "Well, what a coincidence," smiled the man. "A pound and eleven pence -- the exact price of a miracle for little brothers." He took her money in one hand and with the other hand he grasped her mitten and said "Take me to where you live. I want to see your brother and meet your parents. Let's see if I have the miracle you need." That well-dressed man was a surgeon specialising in neurosurgery. The operation was completed, and the treatment organised abroad free of charge, and it wasn't long until Andrew was home again and doing well. Mum and Dad were happily talking about the chain of events that had led them to this place. "That surgery," her Mum whispered. "Was a real miracle. I wonder how much the treatment in America would have cost?" Tess smiled. She knew exactly how much a miracle cost...one pound and eleven pence... plus the faith of a little child.

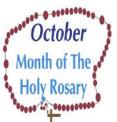


Twenty-Eighth Sunday of the Year [B] 2021				
October 2021	St Peter-in-Chains, Ardrossan www.saintpeterinchains.co.uk www.stbrideschurch.co.uk Father Duncan McVicar  Please note all Masses in St. Peter's are Live Streamed	Fr. Duncan McVicar assisted by Fr. Gerry Hamill (Retired)	www.stevenstonstjohns.com www.rcsaltcoats.com Canon Martin Poland assisted by Fr. Benjamin Mkeri and Canon Matt McManus (Retired)	
		St Bride's	St. John's	St. Mary's
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	28th Sunday of the Year Vigil Mass at 5.30pm Offered for Lindsay Brown (RD)			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	28th Sunday of the Year Mass at 10.30am Offered for our parishes	Mass at 12.15pm	Mass at 11.30 (L)	Mass at 10am (L)
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Requiem Mass for Thomas Lundie Mass at 10am			
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	28th Week of the Year Mass at 10am Offered for Jim McEvoy (SI), Kathleen Cairns (A), Bernadette Bradley (A)	Adoration 9.30  Mass at 10am		Mass at 10am (L)
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	Votive Mass of St. Joseph Mass at 10am Offered for David Munn (RD), Ann Elizabeth McEwan (A)		Funeral Mass (L) at 10am for William Fraser	
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	28th Week of the Year Mass at 10am Offered for Jim Torney (RD)			Mass at 10am (L)
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus Mass at 10am Offered for Leonard White (RD), Betty Craig (SI) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction at 10.30 – 11am	Adoration 11.30  Mass at 12 noon	Mass at 10am (L)	
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	29th Sunday of the Year Vigil Mass at 5.30pm Offered for William Fraser (RD)			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)

#### Rosary for the Month of October

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Please remember that we have the prayer of the Rosary Monday- Friday at 9.30am before Holy Mass during the week and we will also pray the Litany of Our Lady. Pope Francis has decreed that three new titles be added to the Litany: Mary, Mother of Mercy, Mother of Hope and Solace of Migrants.

Come and join us – everyone is welcome!



#### **Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar.

I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramen..., come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever.

Amen.

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Jim Boyle, Bill Holden, Pat Breen, Harry Sammons, Jayne Adams, Iain Hastings.

#### **+** Those who have died recently:

Thomas Lundie, Leonard White, David Munn, Jim Torney, Lindsay Brown, William Fraser, Annie Nolan, Seamus Boyle.

#### + Those who died at this time of Year:

Bill Henderson, Mary Colvin 2000, Jane Coulter 1998, Dan Donnelly 1941, Chrissie Ferguson 2006, Joseph Harvey 1998, Harry Kemp 1972, Shannon McTaggart 1996, Maureen Haddington 2002, Vincenzo Marchetti 1968, Mary McCarroll 1913, Ann McEwan 2020, Ena Millar 1987, Mary Paton 2019, John Petrie 1966, Bruce Gallacher 1995, Robert Ireland 2008, James McKay 1992, Bernard Aspinwall 2013, John McGowan 2002, John McPolin 1944

#### St. Bride's & Peter's Notices

- ▶ REQUIEM MASS FOR THOMAS LUNDIE Please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Thomas Lundie who died on 26th September, aged 67 years. His Requiem Mass will be on Monday, 11th October at 10am, followed by Interment at Ardrossan Cemetery. May he rest in peace and rise in glory!
- ► COVID UPDATE AT ST. BRIDE'S As we prepare for the winter ahead, we ask you to dress appropriately so we still maintain good ventilation while we are gathered together. Leaving windows and doors open is essential. It is also important that while seated in the Church/Hall we maintain a respectful distance from each other or from one household to another. Thank you for your continued co-operation.
- ▶ CHILDRENS LITURGY RESTARTING SOON! We hope to restart our children's liturgy at St. Peter's on Sunday, 24th October 2021. Please spread the word to our young families so that they can come along. We are also looking for some volunteers who will support our present excellent Team. "Whoever has the youth has the future!"
- ▶ ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT At St. Peter's, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament closing with a simple Benediction will take place every Friday after Mass. At St. Bride's Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is available on Tuesdays at 9.30am, and Fridays at 11.30am. Spend some time with the Lord in prayer and give our heart to Him again.
- ► SYCAMORE PROJECT The Sycamore project at St. Bride's will begin at 7.30pm on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October in St. Bride's Church. Laura thanks those who have already collected their books. Please pay any money owed for books to Laura, *thank you*.
- ► SYCAMORE PROJECT St Peter's Sycamore Project will begin soon, watch this space for dates.
- ► CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW MINISTER AT ST ANDREW'S On Thursday, 14th October there will be the Licensing of the Reverend Lee Johnston, who will be the successor of Reverend Sandy Montgomerie at Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church, Ardrossan. We wish him a good start and many blessings for his ministry.
- ►ST PETER'S CAFE ON FRIDAYS Mary Lee and her team invite you to join them in the snug cafe for refreshments after the Benediction on Fridays. Please come along if you can starts this Friday.
- ▶ ST PETER'S CHOIR David Priest has taken an initiative to restart our choir after all the lockdown restrictions. He is also looking for new members and musicians. David will make an announcement this weekend 9th/10th October and hopes for some volunteers. If you like to sing or play an instrument come along and praise the Lord!

#### Mary in October

Mary's spiritual motherhood is a great gift to each of us. Recall that at the foot of the cross, Jesus said to St. John: Behold your Mother, and to Mary: Behold your son. (Jn 19:26-27) Jesus himself gave Mary to us as our Mother and entrusted each one of us to her as her children. I have known and counted on her maternal care and intercession each time I am invited to share in the cross of suffering, as she did on Calvary with Jesus. This has been with family, friends or persons in any need who we meet every day in our mission of evangelization. I have experienced her intercession, especially as our Mother of Mercy. When we call upon her under this title, she will always help us to receive mercy and to be merciful to others. She teaches us what spiritual motherhood means so that we can also serve as spiritual mothers and fathers to others.

# GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD FOR HE IS GOOD HIS LOVE AND FOREVER!!!

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Offertory Collection 3rd October 2021: £131.00

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#### **Synod in Local Churches**

The opening celebration in local churches is starting on  $16^{th}/17^{th}$  October. The objectives are:

- > To focus on the Word of God.
- > To invoke the guidance of the **Holy Spirit**.
- > To entrust the Synodal Process to God. Through the maternal intercession of Mary, Queen of the Apostles and Mother of the Church.
- > To celebrate the beginning of the Synodal Process in union with all local Churches throughout the world.
- To gather representatives of the People of God in the diocese in a spirit of communion.
- To **inspire participation** in the diocesan phase of the Synodal Process.
- To be **sent out** on the pilgrim path of the Synodal journey as a **missionary Church**.

#### Just for a Laugh...

MALE and FEMALE LOGIC

Woman: Do you drink beer? Man: Yes

Woman: How many beers a day? Man: Usually about three.

Woman: How much do you pay per beer?

Man: £5.00 which includes a tip.

Woman: And how long have you been drinking?

Man: About 20 years, I suppose.

Woman: So a beer costs £5 and you have 3 beers a day which puts your spending each month at £450. In one year, it would

be approximately £5400, correct? Man: Correct.

Woman: If in 1 year you spend £5400, not accounting for inflation, the past 20 years puts your spending at £108,000, correct?

Man: Correct.

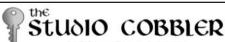
Woman: Do you know that if you didn't drink so much beer, that money could have been put in a step-up interest savings account and after accounting for compound interest for the

past 20 years, you could have now bought a Ferrari?

Man: Do you drink beer? Woman: No.

Man: Where's your Ferrari..?

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